

Remarks

This communication is considered fully responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 28, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as the "second Final Office Action"). Claims 1-28 were examined and stand rejected. Claims 1, 2, 9, 14, 16, 20, 23, and 25 are currently amended. No claims are canceled. No new claims are added. Reexamination and reconsideration of the claims are respectfully requested.

Examiner Interview

Applicant notes with appreciation the telephone interview Examiner Avellino accorded Applicant's attorney, Mark Trenner (hereinafter, "Mr. Trenner") on November 30, 2005. During the telephone interview, Mr. Trenner explained features of the invention Applicant believes are not taught or suggested by Ranalli. The Examiner suggested claim amendments to clarify these recitations in the claims, substantially as presented in the currently amended claims. The Examiner requested that Applicant file an RCE with these amendments so that he could further consider the claims in view of the amendments.

Claim Rejections

Applicant believes that the claim rejections in the second Final Office Action are moot in view of the amendments and for the reasons discussed with Examiner Avellino during the telephone interview on November 30, 2005, as summarized above.

Applicant does not make any admissions as to the rejections included in the second Final Office Action, and Applicant reserves the right to present further argument if any of those rejections are maintained in view of the amendments. Applicant hereby incorporates by reference all of the arguments previously presented and hereby maintains that the claim recitations are not taught or suggested by the cited references for at least those reasons.

Conclusion

The Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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